

WOLD PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

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The Lynn University Community Eagerly Awaits its Newest Addition

By MEGAN MANGONE

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An illustration of the future Keith C. and Elaine Johnson Wold Performing Arts Center. LU Photo.

The Eugene M. and Christine E. Lynn College of International Communication and The Conservatory of Music are looking forward to the groundbreaking ceremony on Nov. 19 for the new Keith C. and Elaine Johnson Wold Performing Arts Center.

The structure, located near the de Hoernle International Center will include 750 seats attracting and accommodating larger audiences than ever before.

This year the conservatory has very high expectations for the 2008 to 2009 season. Students of the conservatory are very busy with more than 70 upcoming shows this year alone. Currently, several concerts are held at the Roberts Theater in Andrews Hall, The Center for the Performing Arts.

“We are truly hoping students will avail themselves to this opportunity to see one of the greatest music departments in the country,” said Dean of the Conservatory Jon Robertson. “We have a very unique situation here at Lynn where some of the top musicians and professors in the world join together. It is a wonderful sight to see.”

This is also an exciting time for the drama department. “This facility will put Lynn’s drama department on par with drama programs across the nation,” said Adam Simpson, chair of the drama program. “One specific addition of excitement is that of the Studio Theater, which will facilitate intimate performances.”

After the groundbreaking ceremony, it will be an estimated 11 months until the project is complete. The facility will not be complete until early 2010. The Lynn and local community will be eagerly awaiting the opening.

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This Year's First Academic Forum Will Release J-Term Course Catalog

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The first Academic Forum for the 2008 to 2009 academic year will take place on Thursday, Oct. 23 at 7 p.m. in the Student Center. The Academic Forum for this year will be providing students with a pre-release of the J-Term Course Catalog. The forum is sponsored by the Student Government Association (SGA) and provides students with the opportunity to ask questions and receive immediate answers regarding academics. "Academic Forum first occurred last spring and was a huge success. Students have the opportunity to ask any questions concerning academics and they receive a real and honest answer," said SGA President Joey McNamara. Last spring the forum was filled with students ready to ask questions regarding the changes made to the academic calendar. This semester, SGA wants to see even more students in attendance and encourages the entire university community to attend the event. With the start of the new Dialogues of Learning classes and the new January Term students seem eager to ask questions. All have been invited to attend including: The Office of Academic Affairs, Professors and Deans. SGA hopes this forum will also give professors the opportunity to discuss their J-Term course with the student body. Vice President of Academic Affairs Cynthia Patterson has been working diligently with the Student Government Association to have the J-Term course catalog available to students at the forum. McNamara also explained how, "as a senior I am extremely eager to look over the J-Term courses and share an educational experience with my peers that I could never get in a classroom." For more information on the Academic Forum or the J-Term, all are welcome to attend the next SGA meeting Tuesday, Oct. 21 at 7 p.m. in the Student Center.

SNL CATCHES POLITICAL FEVER

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Saturday Night Live's Parodies of Current Political Figures Sweep the Nation

By MIKE GRIFFITH

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Lately everyone has been hearing about Saturday Night Live (SNL) and their spot on comedians playing the roles of many and most of the political figures in the news. As an Election year, both Senator Barack Obama and Senator John McCain have been regulars in skits SNL does every week. The first time SNL decided to parody a political figure in office was President Gerald Ford in the 1970s. He was profiled because of an apparent lack of stability in walking skills. The parodies have only increased in frequency and success in recent times with political figures including President George Bush, President George W. Bush and President Bill Clinton. Each side is portrayed in a no holds barred style. During the 2008 primary season, Democratic rivals, Senators Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama, dueled on the show and even more current Republican Vice Presidential nominee Governor Sarah Palin has been taken on by one of SNL's very best female comedians, Tina Fey.



Fey had been in SNL retirement since 2006. She returned to the show for the sole purpose of appearing as Governor Palin. She has had great success in this role as Fey and Palin share a striking resemblance. When Fey first appeared on SNL as Palin, some viewers actually mistook her for the real Palin. Fey's personal friend and fellow SNL comedian, Amy Poehler, appeared on the show as Senator Hillary Clinton. Saturday Night Live has always been there to make light of current political issues and will hopefully continue in the future. SNL brings politics to the mainstream in an entertaining way and gives audience some much needed comic relief. Saturday Night Live airs on NBC every Saturday evening at 11:30 p.m.

years that without believing in yourself, you cannot achieve,” said Mansurov. “With no hope, you cannot grow. I’ve found that you can never give up on what you believe in. This has helped me through the years and is the reason I am where I am today.” Mansurov will be performing on Oct. 11 and Oct. 12 with the Philharmonia Orchestra at the Roberts Hall at the Andrews Center for the Performing Arts.

VIOLINIST BELIEVES AND ACHIEVES

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Valentin Mansurov Plays, Learns and Performs with Hope and Belief

By MEGAN MANGONE

Staff Writer



Valentin Mansurov masterfully plays his violin for all to hear. LU Photo.

Valentin Mansurov, originally from Uzbekistan, has traveled across the world since he was a young boy to become a world class violinist. Mansurov is obtaining his Professional Performance Certificate. He has been playing the violin since the age of seven. Coming from an artistic family, his mother, father and sister all play violin. He has always known that he wanted violin to be a part of his life. By the age of 16, Mansurov left Uzbekistan and began traveling to Turkey, France and then Canada, where he eventually met Sergiu Schwartz, a previous professor at the Conservatory of Music at Lynn University. He then was recruited to come to Lynn and become a part of the wonderful experience it has to offer. “When I came down to the school, I really liked the methods teachers used here,” said Mansurov. “It was something I wanted to be a part of. Since I’ve been here, I’ve learned so much from my professors. There is a great faculty here and not a day goes by where I don’t learn something.” Mansurov has already obtained his Master’s in Music and is now pursuing a performing oriented program with his professional performance certificate. He would like to become a member of a prestigious orchestra eventually. “Every performance I give is a very memorable experience. I’ve found through the

2 boxes of crumbled Feta cheese
1/2 cup of extra virgin olive oil

Directions:

Boil a pot of water

Peel cucumber

Cut peppers into small pieces

Cook pasta until it is soft and then strain

Add all ingredients into one large bowl

Stir olive oil into ingredients

Let sit in refrigerator for 20 minutes

Enjoy!

DELICIOUS GREEK PASTA SALAD

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A Mouth-Watering Mediterranean Dish that will Surely Satisfy all Tastes

By ALI ABRUZZESE

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Having a best friend who is Greek has introduced me to several delicious dinners that I take home to my family. Pasta is not necessarily an original recipe of the Greek culture, but adding cucumbers, tomatoes and Feta cheese to this dish gives it a very Mediterranean feel.

At first some are hesitant to add vegetables that you would usually put in a salad to pasta, but



this healthy meal is very low in calories. You could also use whole-wheat pasta to make this dish even more nutritious. This meal can be served as a side dish or a main course. This is a dish that can be served hot or cold, it is really a matter of personal preference. The next time you are debating what to make for dinner, or even as a side dish, try out this pasta salad that will keep guests begging.



Ingredients: 1 cucumber

1 box of pasta

1 red pepper

1 green pepper

5 ripe tomatoes

THE DANGERS OF FACEBOOK

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The Secrets of Social Networking Sites are Revealed

By RYAN BROOKS

Staff Writer



Students, faculty and staff actively participate in the Swift Kick Lecture. Staff Photo/Ryan Brooks.

The Knights Activities Team (KAT) recently sponsored Swift Kick in the AG Theatre. Swift Kick is a mind stimulating organization that teaches students the secrets of Social Networking Sites (SNS), how to avoid the dangers and use the full potential of these web sites. Swift Kick also exposed the hidden secrets and business possibilities behind Facebook and MySpace.

“Swift Kick was awesome! It was really cool to see all the different possibilities that Facebook and MySpace has opened up for the world,” said Senior Lynette Hidalgo. Swift Kick showed students, staff and faculty how to use SNS to promote themselves in a positive image unlike most users who are using these sites and unknowingly promoting themselves negatively. Swift Kick Representative Tom Krieglstein explained how “using these sites is like living in a glass bedroom, everyone can see in and our lives are no longer private.” Krieglstein further explained how a user’s digital identity will become more important than their physical identity. More than 93% of college students are using Facebook and MySpace and 63% of them are logging in every day. What users do not know is 60% of employers are also using Facebook and MySpace to learn about potential employees. The lecture also included how to use SNS to one’s advantage. One should be using sites such as Facebook and MySpace to promote themselves through the megaphone theory and should be leaving positive footprints. For more information on Swift Kick, visit www.swiftkickonline.com or attend the Knights Activities Team meetings every Monday at 5 p.m. in the Knights Court.

A: I came to Lynn with a great dream to get my degree. With the help of dedicated teachers and caring people in this community, I have been able to overcome some challenges. My hope is to graduate at Lynn with the highest possible GPA I can and to pursue my graduate school in global affairs or public policy.

Q: What campus activities are you involved in?

A: I'm the Student Government Association President. Given that I have high responsibility, I am limited my involvement in other things but contribute a lot to the International Affairs Society. Before I became the SGA president, I was the president of the International Affairs Society, an active member of the Honors Colloquium, Rotaract Club and the Resident Hall Association.

Q: What difficulties did you endure coming to Lynn?

A: As a son of a refugee in Zimbabwe, I had a serious financial crisis given the fact that my family lost everything at the time of war in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC). It was hard for me to afford even a single dollar to pay towards my education. Fortunately, Lynn University assessed my academic credentials, and I was awarded the most prestigious university scholarship: the Presidential Scholarship.

Q: How is the DRC different from the USA?

A: The DRC is different from the USA in so many ways. First, the culture: I struggled a lot during my freshman year with cultural differences, but when one lives in a community, one learns how to be a part of that community. Although the DRC is a land full of economic potential, it is regarded as a poor country due to the bad governance of our leaders. The political will in the U.S. is far better than in the Congo. We still have to work on a lot of things to make our government work for the people.

Q: What is the culture like in the DRC?

A: Congolese people, like most Africans, believe in African culture. We are the people of culture, and we truly value those cultures. We value people, we respect each other and we give great respect to adults and parents.

Q: What are the main political issues in the DRC?

A: Ethnic conflicts are the main political issues in the country. The other main political issue today is what Congolese call "Regionalism." This is the process by which leaders who are in power concentrate power in the hands of people who are originally from the same area they were born. The last thing I can mention is corruption and the inability to empower those who have the aptitude to bring about real reforms. The people in power want to keep power until they die and don't want to be challenged.

Q: What do you think are the solutions to these issues?

A: I believe in the power of unity. It is the notion of unity which once again can bring Congolese together to reconstruct their country.

Q: What is your hope for the future in Africa?

A: My hope is that African leaders change their ways. We need new leaders from new generations who have the understanding of current world politics. One of the things I encourage African countries to do is to train more young people men and women. I believe that if a country fails to provide necessary leadership, a country and its people suffer.

AFTER THE DEMOCRATIC

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A Student's Story of Strife to Success

By ASHLEA EVANS

Special to the iPulse



Bernard Londoni takes the time to tell his story. Photo/Ashlea Evans.

He traveled more than 7,000 miles to come to Lynn University. He had never been here before, but Lynn held the hope of his future. As the son of a Zimbabwean refugee and a victim of the Democratic Republic of the Congo's war, coming to study abroad was a dream come true.

Bernard Londoni, a senior in Lynn's international relations program, was not going to take this opportunity for granted. Londoni is involved in several aspects of the university, from working as an admissions ambassador, to being the President of the Student Government Association. Londi is currently in Washington D.C. and will be presenting at the United Nations Week 2008. Recently Londoni shared his story with the iPulse.

Q: Why did you choose to come to Lynn?

A: I didn't have the chance to visit Lynn Campus while I was applying to schools in the U.S. I was moved by what the recruiter, Juan Camilo Tamayo, presented about Lynn when he came to Zimbabwe for a college fair with a couple of other American schools in 2004. Also, Lynn was the only school which awarded me a comprehensive scholarship.

Q: What do you hope to achieve at Lynn?

control over large parts of the country and tension remains high in the east. Moreover, the lot of DR Congo's citizens is little improved. The Crisis Group, a Brussels-based think-tank, said in 2005 that 1,000 people were dying every day from war-related causes, including disease, hunger and violence. Source: BBC News

THE CRISIS IN THE CONGO

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The Epicenter of Africa's Greatest Conflict and First World War



A capture of life in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

A vast country with immense economic resources, the Democratic Republic of Congo (DR Congo) has been at the centre of what could be termed Africa's world war. This has left it in the grip of a humanitarian crisis. The five-year conflict pitted government forces, supported by Angola, Namibia and Zimbabwe, against rebels backed by Uganda and Rwanda. Despite a peace deal and the formation of a transitional government in 2003, the threat of civil war remains. The war claimed an estimated three million lives, either as a direct result of fighting or because of disease and malnutrition. It has been called possibly the worst emergency to unfold in Africa in recent decades. The war had an economic as well as a political side. Fighting was fuelled by the country's vast mineral wealth, with all sides taking advantage of the anarchy to plunder natural resources. The history of DR Congo has been one of civil war and corruption. After independence in 1960, the country immediately faced an army mutiny and an attempt at secession by its mineral-rich province of Katanga. A year later, its prime minister, Patrice Lumumba, was seized and killed by troops loyal to army chief Joseph Mobutu. In 1965 Mobutu seized power, later renaming the country Zaire and himself Mobutu Sese Seko. He turned Zaire into a springboard for operations against Soviet-backed Angola and thereby ensured US backing. But he also made Zaire synonymous with corruption. After the Cold War, Zaire ceased to be of interest to the US. Thus, when in 1997 neighbouring Rwanda invaded it to flush out extremist Hutu militias, it gave a boost to the anti-Mobutu rebels, who quickly captured the capital, Kinshasa, installed Laurent Kabila as president and renamed the country DR Congo. DR Congo's troubles continued. A rift between Mr Kabila and his former allies sparked a new rebellion, backed by Rwanda and Uganda. Angola, Namibia and Zimbabwe took Kabila's side, turning the country into a vast battleground. Despite coup attempts and sporadic violence a fragile peace has held since the formal end of the war. But the Kinshasa government has no

traders. These crimes included raiding villages and taking all the women and children captive as an incentive for the men to bring back ever-greater supplies of rubber from the forest. Those who did not bring back their quota often had their hands chopped off.

All the while, in one of the earliest examples of a public relations campaign, King Leopold II passed off his Congo venture as a shining example of disinterested benevolent rule aimed at 'civilising the Negroes' and keeping the 'cruel Arab slave-traders' at bay.

Eventually, the Belgian government agreed to buy the territory from the ailing King, but even then conditions for the Congolese scarcely improved.

In a museum in Brussels dedicated to glorifying Belgian exploits in its former colony, documentation of these horrible atrocities is conspicuously absent. Source: Lonely Planet

HISTORY OF THE CONGO

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Extensive European Exploitation and Oppression



Portrait of King Leopold II.

The country's history is a tragic story of an incredible potential that's been brutally dashed by foreign interference and home-grown oppression. The incredible richness of Congo (Zaire) in terms of natural resources has been the country's downfall. First the population was horribly exploited by ivory and rubber traders during the country's private ownership by Belgian King Leopold II.

'Dr Livingstone, I presume.' The self-promoting adventurer and explorer Henry Morton-Stanley allegedly spoke those words after his famous journey into Central Africa in search of the good Dr David Livingstone. Legend has it Dr Livingstone was surprised to find he was considered missing.

After this 'coup', broadly publicised in newspapers around the world, Stanley continued along the Congo River, staking out the huge territory on its south bank for the Belgian King Leopold II in 1881. The Congo then enjoyed the dubious position of being the only colony ever to be owned by one man.

King Leopold II, monarch of one of Europe's smallest countries, proceeded to exploit one of Africa's largest countries, amassing a vast personal fortune without ever once visiting the country.

Hideous crimes were committed against the Congolese by King Leopold's rubber and ivory

Bowl parties and festivals. Dillon's experiences as both Big Lu and Obie will help him get one step closer to his dream of one day being the mascot for a major NBA or MLB team

Big Lu Takes on Obie

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Big Lu Becomes Orange Bowl's Main Squeeze

By BRITTANY HUTCHINSON
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Go Big Lu. Staff Photo/Brittany Hutchinson.

Most of the Lynn community will be watching the Orange Bowl on Jan. 1, 2009. However, one Lynn personality will be on the sidelines. Lynn's beloved Big Lu, also known as Chris Dillon, will be sporting orange rather than blue on game day. Dillon has been cast as the Orange Bowl's beloved orange mascot, Obie. For Dillon, the opportunity couldn't be juicier. "I will get to meet a lot of people in the football world. I've loved college football my whole entire life and I can't wait to entertain thousands to hundreds of thousands of people watching it on New Year's Day," said Dillon, junior. The opportunity to be Big Lu for the last two years has given Dillon the chance to do what he loves best; "I like to show school spirit. I've always been a happy person who loves to entertain my friends and family," said Dillon. "Representing my school and being involved in the community, seeing a little kid's face smile when I make his day or being involved as the schools mascot with Make-A-Wish foundation, that's one of the greatest enjoyments I've had." Throughout the months leading up to the Orange Bowl, Dillon will be making special appearances as Obie at venues around South Florida to promote the big game. Appearances will include youth football games, University of Miami football games and Orange



Blair Barbier, Senior

“My mom because she’s always there for me and always encourages me to do my best; she’s made a good life for herself.”



Joe Fierman, Junior

“Bugsy Siegal, because he was a very street smart man, he set up the first casino in Las Vegas, and he didn’t take anything from anyone.”



Amanda Silbert, Senior

“Rihanna, because she’s so talented and the music never stops!”



Amanda Heidel, Senior

“I would have to say my mom because she has always inspired me to do my best, and just have fun with life.”

Man on the Street

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Who is Your Role Model, and Why?

By Kelsey Breining

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Role Model: a person whose behavior, example, or success is or can be emulated by others, especially by younger people. With that being said, there are many Lynn University students that look up to a wide variety of people in their life. Whether it is someone they might never meet, or someone who has been in their life forever, this is a person they truly look up to. The iPulse asked students, who is your role model, and why?



Ashton Duncan, Senior

“My mom is my role model because she is a very strong, independent, hard working woman who I hope to become one day.”



Perri Stilip, Senior

“My dad is my role model because he is a great leader, hard worker and always supporting me to my best ability.”

Fun Facts

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Today's Tantalizing Tidbit

By ASHLEY FELDMAN

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- Apples, not caffeine, are more efficient at waking you up in the morning.
- Americans eat approximately 100 acres of pizza each day, or 350 slices per second.
- 550 hot dogs are eaten every second of the day in the United States.
- The king of hearts is the only king without a moustache on a standard playing card.
- Stewardesses is the longest word typed with only the left hand.
- If you keep a goldfish in the dark room, it will eventually turn white.
- Boston built the first subway system in the United States in 1897.
- Alma mater means bountiful, a title Romans gave to goddesses.
- There are no words in the dictionary that rhyme with orange, purple and silver.
- Charlie Chaplin once won third prize in a Charlie Chaplin Look-alike contest.
- Men can read smaller print than women can, but women can hear better.
- Average life span of a major league baseball: 7 pitches.
- China has more English speakers than the United States.
- Dragonflies can fly up to 30 miles per hour.

This is not just your ordinary cute little robot though, which comes in a few different shapes and styles as well as multiple colors: green, red, black and blue. This robot will not let you sleep. Once you set the time to the time you want to wake up in the morning you simply set it on the ground next to your bed and once the time hits, the robot sounds off a fire alarm and red lights and moves around making it almost impossible not to wake up. TOKOYObay Robot alarm clocks range from \$36 to \$45.

It's Time to Pump Up the Volume

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Introducing the Motor iPod and Tokyobay Robot Alarm Clock

By BILLY HARTIGAN

Staff Writer



Do you wish that you could hear your music with a portable speaker system with easy mobility? Then Motor Tunes new portable iPod stereo is for you. Motor Tunes is the perfect system for people that just want a handy stereo. There are so many ways to use Motor Tunes such as on a scooter, bike, motorcycle or ATV. This system is small enough to fit just about anywhere. The device is compatible with all generation iPod's and charges an iPod, making sure that one will never run out of battery. Motor Tunes will be offering its audio system for \$69.99, with prices expected to go down. This is a gadget that I suggest that everyone check out. Ever been late to class or a meeting because that cell phone alarm did not wake you up, or are you having problems with your own alarm? The new TOKYObay Robot alarm clock is adamant on making sure you never have problems waking up again.



Motor Tunes portable stereo. Bottom Right: TOKYObay Robot alarm clocks.

FEATURED SPOTLIGHT: DRAMA

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Extraordinary Drama Productions Proliferate Throughout The Community

By AMY LYUS

Staff Writer



Students pay attention to Professor Adam Simpson during class time. Staff Photo/Amy Lyus.

Palm Beach Drama Works will be holding a play entitled “A Moon For the Misbegotten” in the West Palm Beach community from Oct. 17 to Nov. 30 for anyone interested in viewing local performances.

“The productions that are produced through our regional theatres are extraordinary,” said Adam Simpson, professor. “Wherever you go, whether it be Dramaworks in Palm Beach, Caldwell Theatre in Boca, Mosaic in Plantation or Naked Stage in Miami, plus a whole gang of companies in, and in between those areas, you’re going to be satisfied with what you get.”

For students interested in acting and involvement with the theatre, the drama program at Lynn University is taken very seriously. In the acting classes, memorizing scenes and learning to step out of your shell are a big part of the experience.

In his sophomore year of high school, after not making the football team, Simpson became a drama geek. “If I cant be a football player,” said Simpson, “I’ll play one on the stage.” Simpson now works as a professional teacher, actor and technician.

Students who want to overcome their fear of acting may benefit from enrolling in an acting class.

“This class has helped me to come out of my shell,” said Hillary Dever, junior. “I have stopped being so shy around people I don’t know.” A good way to experience acting is to attend local plays firsthand

right.” “My strongest asset is my love for dance and that I’m a very good listener,” said Rosen. “I keep a very open and tight relationship with my teammates. They are the most important part to a successful team.” Be a true Fighting Knight. Come out and support your Fighting Knight basketball teams along with the Knightros.

Knightros Dance Team

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Taking Center Stage with New Look, New Style, New Team

By HILLARY DEVER AND GENE PROUSNITZER

Staff Writers



The Knightros take time to strike a pose after practice. Staff Photo/Hillary Dever.

The Lynn University Fighting Knightros are back in action. This year, the great group of girls on the Lynn University dance team will be entertaining the crowds at home basketball games. Tori Plyler, coach and personal trainer, has helped the team improve tremendously in just two short years. The Knightros now have new uniforms, choreography, workouts and practices. If all goes according to plan, the team hopes to begin competing in the spring. There are a total of nine girls on the team this year. Many of the Knightros have backgrounds in various genres of dance. Their diversity contributes to original routines to various types of music such as hip-hop, rap, lyrical and reggae. The team has gone down in size this year, from twenty members to nine. However, the smaller number has allowed for a stronger team with less quarreling. Rosen, a senior majoring in communication, is from Woodbridge, VA. She loves being a part of the Knightros. "My favorite part about being a Knightro is performing at the basketball games," said Rosen. "I love dancing on the sidelines and at halftime. I'm a performer, so whenever I can put on a good show, I always love it. I love my teammates, past and present." Rosen is one of the team's biggest leaders. "Stephanie puts her heart and soul into this team," said Danielle Castellano, sophomore. "She makes me want to get better and better with each practice and performance." "I always try and make my teammates happy and try to guide them in the right direction," said Rosen. "I will practice with them as much as they want until they get the move

in the Student Center. The day wraps up with a Founder's Day Family-Student Picnic and Festival where the winners of the canoe challenge will be announced. T-Shirts, spirit beads, inflatables, games, face painting, balloon art and so much more will be taking place during the festival. All are invited to attend. For more information about Founder's Day, contact University Events at 561-237-7893 or email events@lynn.edu.

CONTINUING THE TRADITION

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Founders Day Offers an Array of Activities for All to Enjoy

By RYAN BROOKS

Staff Writer



Faculty, staff and students enjoy the many activities that Founders Day including: the Canoe Challenge, spending time with friends and eating. Staff Photos/Brad Robinson and Ryan Brooks.

Lynn University's Founder's Day is back for a third consecutive year on Thursday, Oct. 30. The day is guaranteed to be full of fun and surprises. Founder's Day is one of Lynn's newest traditions. It recognizes a new era in Lynn history when President Donald and Helen Ross opened the College of Boca Raton in 1974. "I love seeing where the roots of Lynn came from and how everyone from all over the university comes together for that one day," said Alyssa Milano, junior. Founder's Day 2008 kicks off with Pancakes with the President prepared by nationally recognized Chris Cakes, featured on the Food Network show "Unwrapped." Faculty, staff and students are encouraged to attend. Throughout the day live musicians will perform around campus, a historical photo timeline dating from 1962 to today will be on display and the annual Founder's Day Canoe Challenge will be held in the lake next to Lynn Residence Center. The canoe challenge is one of the day's most exciting events. Form a team, defend your title or just come and cheer from the sidelines. Spectators might even see a team flip their canoe in the lake. "The best part of last year's canoe challenge was watching so many people fall in the lake, especially President Ross," said Mohammed Abdalla, sophomore. Faculty, staff and students can sign-up in teams of three to compete for cash prizes ranging from \$300 dollars for first place to \$100 for third. Sign-up your canoe challenge team today at the Information Station

Also, because the trip is taken with a very reliable tour company, there are no extreme safety risks. The cost of the trip is about \$1400, all-inclusive, but it is well worth the money. For additional information, you can view a video on YouTube, entitled “Students for the Poor Haiti Trip” and get to see what these students experienced. For additional questions, contact Zachary Walker, the Students for the Poor coordinator, at zwalker@lynn.edu.

TAKING A TRIP OF HOPE TO HAITI

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Students Support Those in Need by Taking a Spring Break Trip to Haiti

By JENNIFER RODRIGUES

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The Students for the Poor pose for a picture in front of a well, and one of the only sources of fresh water for the people of Haiti. LU Photo.

Last March, 15 Lynn students and five Lynn faculty members traveled to Haiti over spring break as a part of Lynn University's Students for the Poor. The group participated in a once in a lifetime experience, getting to know and help the people of this country. Throughout the 6-day trip, students toured the country and were able to see just how hard life there can be. They traveled to schools and other locations, and got to meet with people and hear about their lives. They also helped to build two homes and, since their return, have continued to raise money to help the poor. What those students witnessed in Haiti has had a profound impact on their lives. They were able to see an entirely different culture. "The beauty of their culture and warm social etiquette is unlike anything I've seen in my life thus far," said Mike Polan, senior. Polan is not alone, as many students who took part in the experience were moved by the fact that despite their extreme poverty and difficult life, the people of Haiti are incredibly positive and happy. Now, those close to this project are more determined than ever to help the people of Haiti. Junior Michelle Donaldson says, "This trip was the greatest experience of my life. I am forever attached to Haiti and doing my part to help the country reach its full potential." Michael Potter, junior, seconds that notion saying, "If anybody at Lynn or in the U.S. has the opportunity to go on this trip, I highly suggest it!" Through Lynn University's new J-Term, two trips are being sponsored. One trip, The "Journey of Hope to Haiti", will bring 15 students to Haiti and another, "Journey of Hope to Jamaica", will allow 15 more students to travel to Jamaica. Both trips will be focused on experiencing the culture of these two unique places. The trips, which will last 6-days, are open to all students. No additional medical care, such as shots, is necessary for this trip.

SECURITY AT MALL INCREASES

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Town Center Mall Unveils New Surveillance System and Police Substation

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The main entrance to Boca Raton's Town Center Mall. Staff Photo/Renee Ingrassia.

In recent months, security has been increased in many South Florida malls in order to calm fears and worries about safety. In early October, Town Center Mall unveiled a new surveillance system and a new police substation. The new substation is about 1,700 square feet and will operate during business hours. The substation is located in the newer section of the mall called the Terrace at Town Center. In addition, two patrol cops will patrol the mall every day. "I feel better with them having the security," said Kelcey Wheeler, junior. "I feel a lot safer."

Although there has been a rise in mall crimes recently, officials are claiming that the new measures have nothing to do with past events. Officials are claiming that the new security measures have been in the works for the past two years. Town Center Mall is not the only mall that is increasing security. Local malls all over the area are increasing their security. Simon Property Group's Coral Square Mall and The Boynton Beach Mall have also made changes to their security. They will now have trained German Shepherds surveying the mall in order to discourage criminals from committing crimes. In the parking lot of the Pembroke Lakes Mall, owned by General Growth Properties, Inc., they often use mobile police watch towers for security. "I am not a mall person, but for those that are, I think it's a great idea," said John Iamascia, senior. In addition, Broward County has thought about making surveillance cameras a requirement for all large commercial businesses.

Lynn and then continue further with his musical career. “Musicians all have the same fate and there are several different choices we can decide from for our careers. I would like to be teaching to some degree, or in some kind of freelance orchestra,” Sapaev stated. “We have everything here at Lynn to be the best in the country. This program has grown so much since I’ve been here. Dr. Robertson has brought in some fabulous teachers from all around the world.” Sapaev has established himself as a performer and a composer at a very young age. He is looking forward to this year and his upcoming performances. There is no doubt that this young musician will succeed in his musical career.

BIG DREAMS AND FUTURE

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Cello Player Tuning For The Bigger Picture in Life

By MEGAN MANGONE
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Aziz Sapaev practices his cello lessons. Staff Photo/Megan Mangone.

Aziz Sapaev, senior, is an aspiring cello player at Lynn University. He has already created his own composition that premiered last year at the New Music Festival. Sapaev, originally from Tashken, Uzbekistan has been playing the cello since he was 12 years old. Sapaev was introduced to the instrument by his father. His father is a world-class cello player and a professor at Thrace University in Turkey. “There are certain memories one has early in their life,” said Sapaev. “One of mine comes from my father’s concert. This was where I realized what I wanted to do.” Sapaev came to Lynn University with a recommendation by fellow Conservatory member and close family friend Valentin Mansurov. Throughout his time at Lynn University, Sapaev has composed his own piece of music entitled Fuga Forma Sonatina. The piece took him a year and a half to create. It is available for listening on the first floor of the Lynn University Library. “I am working on some new compositions, however some progress faster then others,” said Sapaev. “Since being in the United States, I have worked with a composition teacher and have developed more intelligent compositions.” Sapaev hopes to obtain his masters degree at

HAPPY HALLOWEEN

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The True Origin of Halloween and Halloween Facts

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Students celebrate Halloween in style dressed in their best costumes. Staff Photo/Carolina Gonzalez.

Halloween is a holiday celebrated by both adults and children. The elements of surprise make Halloween fun and unpredictable. “I find Halloween so enjoyable because it gives me the opportunity to dress up and play different roles outside of the drama program,” said Brooks Alexander, junior in the College of International Communication’s drama program. More than 93% of children under the age of twelve will go trick-or-treating on Halloween. However, recent studies show that adult participation in Halloween is rising considerably, especially for college students. About 50% of adults dress up for Halloween. Furthermore, 67% take part in some form of Halloween activity such as parties, decorating the house and trick-or-treating with their children. The U.S. consumer spends upwards of \$1.5 billion on Halloween costumes annually. Almost \$2.5 billion is spent annually on other Halloween items such as decorations and crafts. Furthermore, about \$100,000 of the money spent on various Halloween items is made through online purchases. “I routinely purchase my costumes online,” said Samantha Bartley, administrative fellow. “This year I bought a queens guard costume from 3wishes.com.” Besides costumes, candy is one of the most distinguishable traits of this holiday. In fact, Halloween is the largest candy-purchasing holiday of the year. One quarter of all candy sold annually is during the Halloween season, making it the sweetest holiday. “Halloween is my favorite holiday because you get to dress up and eat a lot of free candy,” said Junior Beaezier, senior. “This year I am dressing up as a cop.”

- 1 cup of milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- Cupcake holder
- Cupcake liners
- Electric mixer
- Edible Halloween accessories
- Chocolate or Vanilla icing

Directions:

- 1.Preheat oven to 350 degrees
- 2.Using an electric mixer gradually add the sugar to the softened butter in a large mixing bowl.
- 3.Slowly add the dry ingredients in three separate parts with the milk and vanilla added in between each part.
- 4.Spoon the well-blended batter into the cupcake liners.
- 5.Bake for 20-25 minutes or until the tops are golden
- 6.Let the cupcakes cool for fifteen minutes
- 7.Decorate your cupcakes and enjoy.

TASTY HALLOWEEN CUPCAKES

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A Delicious Recipe That is Perfect for Any Halloween Celebration

By ALI ABRUZZESE

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It is time to get in the spirit of the season with delicious Halloween cupcakes. These scrumptious cupcakes are made from scratch and will keep your mouth watering for days. However, they can be made for almost any occasion by decorating them with different colors of icing and corresponding accessories. “Baking and decorating cupcakes is a great idea,” said Amanda Tomec, senior. Baking seasonal cupcakes decorated with Halloween sprinkles and accessories are a great way to get into the Halloween spirit. If using vanilla icing, add orange or black edible color dye to add a spooky touch.



Students make cupcakes to celebrated the holiday. Staff Photo/Ali Abruzzese.

Things you need:

- 1 ½ cups of flour
- 1 cup (2 sticks) of softened butter
- 2 cups of sugar
- 4 eggs

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There are Certain Items Students Can Not Live Without on Halloween

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Halloween is one of the world's oldest holidays, dating back to Pagan times. However, today more people than ever are celebrating Halloween all over the world. Children and adults can be anything they want for one night. Halloween is also a time when friends like to play scary pranks on each other. Oct. 31 would not be the same without all the traditions that go along with it. Lynn University students were asked what they could not live without during the Halloween season: "I can't live without candy on Halloween," said Shane McFarland, junior. "It's the candy holiday of the year." "I can't live without a flashlight," said Amanda Heidel, senior. "Halloween is a time when my friends like to play pranks on me and I'm really scared of the dark." "Halloween wouldn't be the same without my creative costumes," said Amanda Tomec, senior. "Halloween is a time that I look forward to not only because of what I'm going to dress up as, but I am eager to see what other people's costumes are."

putting cobwebs on our doors, as well as outside. We have two black cats that we are dressing up. I'm dressing my cats up as a pumpkin and wizard," said Suzie McCombe, sophomore.

DESIGNING A DAUNTING DECOR

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All One Needs to Create the Spookiest Ambiance are a Few Simple Decorations

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A cat participates in Halloween festivities.

When it is the time for the monsters to visit, the first thing that strikes the mind is undoubtedly scary Halloween decorations. It is the haunted Halloween party décor that sets the perfect mood and atmosphere for the celebration of this festivity. There are a multitude of distinctive spooky decoration ideas for Halloween. One idea is to invest in vintage Halloween decorations. When it comes to decorating the house also consider the lawn graveyards that are decorated giving a haunted look. To create a perfect ambiance, consider the elements of lighting and background music. Creating fog and smoke, which can be done by using dry ice, also serves as a great idea to add special effects to Halloween decorations. “I love seeing how creative people can get to really make the spooky effect,” said Shira Blumenthal, sophomore. Give a feel of autumn, by using dried flowers, brown leaves and empty branches can also act as a great theme for Halloween parties. To create the eerie effect, place skeletons, fake spiders and bats at different corners of the house. “This Halloween my boyfriend and I are decorating our apartment by

characters such as, Thing 1 and Thing 2. Halloween costumes can be the best or worst part of Halloween. It all depends on the planning. Go out now and browse around to see what is out in stores. Do not wait until the day before Halloween to purchase a costume. On Halloween day all of the costumes will either be out of stock or the choices will be limited. Good luck with the search for the perfect Halloween costume. Have a safe and stylish Halloween..

CREATIVE COSTUMES ON CAMPUS

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This Week's Trend to Talk About: Eye-Catching Halloween Costumes

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Choosing a costume may be one of the most stressful parts of Halloween. The key to having the best Halloween costume is to be original, look good and most importantly, feel comfortable. Ladies should consider dressing as a police officer, nurse, bumble bee, hippy, devil, angel, sailor, cat, Umpire or French maid. All of these costumes can be purchased in different styles. They can also be accessorized in many different ways. Guys who plan on going to a costume party this Halloween should consider dressing as a baseball player, The Joker, a pimp, cheerleader, police officer, inmate, priest, rabbi or even a hot dog. It may be harder for men to choose an original costume for Halloween because there are not as many options.



Above Left: Kyle Antonucci, junior as Mr. Incredible. Above Right: Danielle Mizrahi, junior and Ali Abruzzese, junior as Snow White and Santa

There are numerous costume ideas for the couples around campus as well. Couples costume ideas include bacon and eggs, Plug and Socket, Peter Pan and Tinkerbell or even Dr. Seuss

WHERE TO GET SPOOKED

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Halloween Events in the Local Area for Every Halloween Fan

By AMY LYUS

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This Halloween season students can get in the spirit by enjoying some of the many events that are happening around Palm Beach County.

For many students Halloween is a definite favorite. This year prepare for haunted houses, costume contests, trick-or-treating and local fairs with midway rides, food and fun. There are also events going on around school that are extremely affordable.

If students are up for a serious scare, Fright Nights at the South Florida Fairgrounds will be hosting a spook-tacular event. Fright Nights will include rides and many frights. Warning: do not attend if scared easily.

Couples may want to attend the Jupiter Outdoor Center where there will be stargazing and a haunted kayak tour of the Loxahatchee River. It will be a relaxing event for couples that still want to celebrate the Halloween season. After the ride, visitors can enjoy a campfire and ghost stories while toasting marshmallows to make s'mores.

Atlantic Avenue in Delray Beach will be hosting some other Halloween affairs for students. One of which will be a Halloween parade that will involve trick-or-treating down the avenue followed by a costume parade.

Halloween is a great day for students to get into the Halloween spirit and attend one of South Florida's many scary events.

colonial America. These new areas were a welcome addition to the event, adding to the suspense, without the long lines of the houses.

Overall, the students had a great time on the trip. In addition to the scary parts, many of Universal's classic rides were also open for the night, allowing a welcome break from the terror. Students boarded the bus around 2 a.m., and returned to campus at 5:30 a.m. Sunday morning. They all survived the wrath of Bloody Mary, and hoped to get the opportunity to return for next year's Hollywood Horror Nights.

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HALLOWEEN HORROR NIGHTS

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Students Recently Traveled to Universal Studios with Student Involvement

By JENNIFER RODRIGUES

Special to the iPulse



Students and staff pose for a photograph in front of a fun house at Halloween Horror Nights.
Photo/Alyssa Milano Special to the iPulse.

Almost 80 Lynn students visited Orlando and experienced Universal Studio's Halloween Horror Nights recently, planned by the Office of Student Involvement.

The cost of the trip was \$50, and that included transportation and their ticket to the park. When the day finally came, students piled onto two coach buses at 3 p.m. and made the three-hour drive to Orlando, ready for a fright-filled night.

Universal Hollywood Horror nights is an event that occurs on certain nights in October at Universal Studios. Certain areas of the park are transformed into haunted houses with elaborate themes. This event has been going on for 18 years and this year's theme was Bloody Mary. The basic idea was that the popular childhood figure had broken loose and reeked havoc over the park. This year's house's themes were very unique. They included Interstellar Terror, the Body Collectors, Doomsday (based on the popular movie), Reflections of Fear and Scary Tales: Once Upon a Nightmare. All together there were eight houses that students had the ability to travel through.

In addition to the houses, this year's event also featured six "scare zones." In these areas, characters walked about the streets, coming right up to spectators and proceeded to follow guests around. These were themed as well. Some of the themes included mixed up fairytales, the Wicked Witch's version of Oz, The Haunted Streets of Jack the Ripper's Time and a haunted



“Friday the 13th“ and “The Exorcist“ box covers.

There are also some Halloween films in theaters now; including: “Saw V,” the latest installment in the Saw series that is not for the weak and the re-release of “Tim Burton’s The Nightmare Before Christmas” presented now in Disney Digital 3D.

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BRINGING BACK HALLOWEEN

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Classic Halloween Films Prove to Last Through the Years

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There are many ways to get into the Halloween spirit such as dressing up, having a costume party or going trick or treating. Renting a scary movie is one Halloween tradition that will never go out of style, like so many of the Halloween classics that are available to rent today. Movie rental stores bring back scary movies from the past to evoke the feeling of fear. The legendary horror films “Friday the 13th” and The Exorcist” are all back front and center on the shelves. “Friday the 13th” is about the series of unexplainable events that occurred at Camp Crystal Lake after the drowning of young boy and the murder of two camp counselors. The camp was forced to close until the camp re-opened under new ownership, once again starting these unexplainable murders. “The Exorcist” is a classic horror film in which a little girl named Reagan becomes possessed by the devil. Her mother in desperation turns to two priests to perform an exorcism to release the devil from her body. This film will keeps viewers at the edge of their seat, filled with fear and powerful imagery that will not soon be forgotten. Any of these films prove to be an excellent choice for a spooky night in.

SPOOKY TWIST TO POLITICS

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An Interview With Senator Jeff Atwater of District 25

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After the Halloween festivities have concluded there will still be many activities on and off campus for students to participate in. A particular event worth attention is that of watching professor Jim Brosemer Sunday, Nov. 2 on South Florida Sunday. Brosemer will be interviewing Senator Jeff Atwater of Dist 25. This will be a distinct honor, for, Atwater is Florida's Senate President Designate and has served in the Florida Senate since 2000. "I will be sure to catch the segment," said Stephanie Williams, freshman. "It will be interesting to here Atwater's views on many issues surrounding this nation." The interview can be viewed by all on the following times and channels:

- ABC CH 25 WPBF (Palm Beach Gardens) 10:30 a.m. – 11 a.m.
- CBS CH 12 WPEC (West Palm Beach) 1 p.m. – 1:30 p.m
- . •CBS Ch 4 WFOR (Miami- Fort Lauderdale) 1 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.
- NBC CH 5 WPTV (West Palm Beach) Noon- 12:30 p.m.

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